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In re the Application of

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For: PATTERN CARRIER FOR USE IN TRANSFER PATTERN PRINTING AND THE USE OF A NON-CRYSTALLINE SACCHARIDE SYRUP IN A DISPERSION FOR COATING A PAPER WEB SO AS TO OBTAIN SUCH A PATTERN CARRIER

AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the December 20, 2003 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 5 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please replace claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A pattern carrier in form of a paper web with a colour pattern printed thereon to be used in transfer pattern printing of a moist textile web by a compressing of the two webs between one or more pairs of rollers without the use of heat, but under such a linear pressure that the textile web is subjected over a short length to a compressing into a reduced thickness followed by a natural expansion, whereby the colour pattern is absorbed from the pattern carrier into the textile web, characterised in that the pattern carrier is made of paper with an air permeability of more than 500 ml/min, measured according to the standard DIN 53120 T1, and a water absorption corresponding to a Cobb-number, measured according

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